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April 12, 2007

BY HAND AND BY REGISTERED MAIL

XE R. LLC c/o Mark Ross & Co., Inc. 400 Park Avenue, 18th Floor New York, NY 10022

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Attention: Mark E. Ross

Re: Notice of De ault

Dear Mark:

We write on behalf of Arche Master Fund, L.P. ("Arche") and refer to (i) the XE-R, LLC Note Purchase Agreement, dated August 23, 2004 (the "Note Purchase Agreement"), among XE-R, LLC ("XE-R" or the "Company") and the note purchasers party thereto (the "Purchasers") and (i) the XE-R Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement (the "XE-R Agreement"), dated as of December 31, 2004, among R 2004, LLC, as the managing member of the Company and XE Capital Management, LLC ("XE Capital"), as the non-managing member. Terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Note Purchase Agreement or the XE-R Agreement, as applicable.

As you know, the Note Purchase Agreement expressly governs XE-R's transactions with its affiliates. §10.1. Pursuant to §10.1, XE-R covenants that "so long as any of the Notes are outstand ng[,]" it "will not ... enter into directly or indirectly any transaction or group of related transactions ... with any Affiliate ... except for the Services Agreement ... and except in the ordinary course and pursuant to the reasonable requirements of the Company's ... business and upon fair and reasonable terms no less favorable to the Company ... than would be expected to be obtainable in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a Person not an Affiliate."

As you also know, Section 2.2(a)(v)-(vi) of the XE-R Agreement provides that the Company was formed "to broker life settlements of policies and receive compensation related to such broken ge" and to "purchase in-force policies and 'bank' them on a short-term basis to facilitate life settlement of such policies to settlement companies or investment funds." Section 3.6(a)(iv) of the XE-R Agreement therefore provides that "the Company will be the exclusive means by which the Managing Member and its Affiliates transact as a wholesaler through other life insurance brokers and intermediaries as to the transactions listed in Section 2.2" (emphasis added). Indeed, you have invoked a comparable exclusivity provision in the XE-R Agreement on behalf of XE-R in a pending litigation against XE Capital and XE L.I.F.E., LLC.

Notwit istanding these covenants in the Note Purchase Agreement and the XE-R Agreement, Arche has learned that you are expending XE-R's capital to refinance premium finance notes secured by life insurance policies in exchange for granting Mark Ross & Co., Inc. the right to broker any future settlement of those policies. See Complaint in Toni Y. Jones et al. vs. Mutual Credit Corporation et al., Case No. 07-CC01223 (Cal. Sup. Ct. 2007) (the "MCC Complaint"). Specifically, in the MCC Complaint, you allege that:

XE-R provided to the Trust the funds for the payment fof the principal plus interest on the premium finance loan]. In consideration of its provision of valuation and other services, the Trust agreed to appoint Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker of record in the event that the Trust later decided to sell the Policy on the secondary market through a life settlement, (id. ¶ 31);

Defendants ... knew that there was an existing contract and business relationship between XE-F. Mark Ross & Co., Inc. and the Trust, through which XF-R would help the Trust repay the MCC loan and obtain a release of MCC's collateral assignment. The Trust, through XE-R's refinancing, would be able to maintain ownership of the Policy. In the event that the Trust later decided to sell the policy, the Tri st could negotiate a life settlement on the secondary market using Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker, (id. § 50); and

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You are hereby notified that by virtue of the actions admitted above in paragraphs 31. 50, and 54, XE-R is engaged in prohibited transactions with an Affiliate in violation of §10.1 of the Note Purchase Agreement and has thereby triggered an immediate Event of Default under §11(c) of that agreement.

In addition, by extending XE-R funds in exchange for securing business opportunities for Mark Ross & Co., Inc., you are in violation of your covenant to use XE-R as the exclusive vehicle for brokering the life settlements of policies in the secondary market as well as your covenant to act in a good faith and commercially reasonable manner. See XE-R Agreement §3.6(a)(iv), §3.6(a)(ii). Your failure to comply with the XE-R Agreement will trigger a separate Ever t of Default under §11(d) of the Note Purchase Agreement if not cured within thirty days.

Please be advised that based on an Event of Default having occurred under \$11(c), Arche, as holder of 100% of the outstanding Notes issued by the Company as of the date hereof, hereby declare: all outstanding Notes immediately due and payable under \$12.1(b) of the Note Purchase Agreement and demands immediate payment of the total amount due and owing on such Notes. In add tion, Arche intends to exercise any and all rights available to it under \$12.2 of the Note Purchase Agreement.

Sincerely,

Peter Calamari

ce: Harry C. Beatty, Esq. (By facsimile) Michael A. Lynn, Esq. (By facsimile)

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April 17, 2007

Via Email, Facsimile (212-836-8689) and First Class Mail Peter Calamari, Esq. Quinn Emanuel Urquhart Oliver & Hedges, LLP 51 Madison Avenue, 24th Floor New York, NY 10010

Re: XE-R Notice of Default and Arche Master Fund, L.P. v. XE-R, LLC, No. 07-CV-2993 (S.D.N.Y.)(Greisa, J.)

Dear Peter:

We write in response to your demand letter addressed to XE-R, LLC ("XE-R") and R 2004, LLC, dated April 12, 2007, alleging defaults under the XE-R, LLC Note Purchase Agreement, dated August 23, 2004 (the "Note Purchase Agreement") and a breach of the XE-R, LLC Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2004 (the "XE-R Agreement").

As an initial matter, we are surprised to receive a communication from you on behalf of Arche Master Fund, L.P. ("Arche"), as Arche, in the past, has been represented by Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, from which firm we have received many communications on behalf of Arche. Accordingly, we ask whether Darius Tencza, Esq. of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP still represents Arche. We note also that the faxed demand letter was both unsigned and sans letterhead and, consequently, might well have been a draft. However, in light of the fact that your offices served XE-R late yesterday with a lawsuit captioned Arche Master Fund, L.P. v. XE-R, LLC, No. 07-CV-2993 (S.D.N.Y.)(Griesa, J.) (the "Lawsuit") alleging the same defaults, we feel it prudent to respond to your letter and the Lawsuit.

Your assertion that there have been events constituting defaults is misguided and the Lawsuit is frivolous.

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To explain, § 2.2(a)(v) of the XE-R Agreement contemplates that XE-R shall, inter alia, "broker life settlements of policies and receive compensation related to such brokerage" in accordance with § 2.2(a)(vii) thereof, which section specifically contemplates that XE-R transact in life settlements "with policy owners on a direct basis with MRC and the Company as co-brokers" Accordingly, it was and remains appropriate for Mark Ross & Co., Inc. to be the designated broker in connection with the settlement brokerage of the policy held by the Jenkins Trust (the "Jenkins Transaction").

Further, there has been no breach of §§ 3.6(a)(ii) and (iv) of the XE-R Agreement. First, the Managing Member has acted in a "good faith and commercially reasonable manner" as required by 3.6(a)(ii). Second, the exclusivity provision of § 3.6(a)(iv) is not applicable since Mark Ross & Co., Inc. is in privity with the Jenkins Trust, and settlement of the policy held by the Jenkins Trust would not be a "wholesaler" transaction. Moreover, § 3.6(v) of the XE-R Agreement contemplates only that the Managing Member "provide the Company with participation in its retail (direct) transactions," including life settlements. Accordingly, as the settlement of the Jenkins policy is a "direct" transaction rather than a wholesale transaction, R 2004 has discretion to choose the appropriate level of participation for XE-R. The level of participation as to compensation to XE-R typically would be governed by XE-R's level of participation in the transaction itself. However, although Mark Ross & Co., Inc. reserves its right to determine the appropriate level of XE-R participation for any other direct cases, it hereby represents that it will provide a participation to XE-R of one hundred percent (100%) of any settlement brokerage commission in connection with the Jenkins Transaction, as it has always intended. Consequently, exclusivity is not an issue.

For these same reasons, the Jenkins Transaction does not trigger a violation of §10.1 of the Note Purchase Agreement. Indeed, a life settlement transaction of the Jenkins policy through Mark Ross & Co., Inc. is in harmony with the parties' joint venture and the Note Purchase Agreement, and the terms of the Jenkins Transaction could not be more favorable to XE-R.

In this latter regard, we would like to take this opportunity to note that, unlike your clients in the New York-based litigation mentioned in your letter, our clients intend fully to comply with the provisions of the XE-R Agreement, and with their obligations to their joint venture partners, all in the spirit of good faith and fair dealing. On a related front, we find it troubling that your firm, on its public

¹ You state: "Indeed, you have invoked a comparable exclusivity provision in the XE-R Agreement on behalf of XE-R in a pending litigation against XE Capital and XE L.I.F.E., LLC." That litigation is captioned XE Capital Management, LLC and XE L.I.F.E., LLC v. XE-R, LLC, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. and Mark E. Ross, Sup. Ct. N.Y. Cty. Index No. 603579/06 (Lowe, J.).

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website, has characterized defendants in that action as "XE L.I.F.E.'s former joint venture partner[s]." Has there been a dissolution of XE-R about which we are unaware?

In closing, there has been no default under the provisions of Note Purchase Agreement, and no conduct in violation of the provisions of the XE-R Agreement. Accordingly, XE-R and R 2004 reject your demand for immediate payment of the total amounts outstanding on the Notes. XE-R further demands that you immediately withdraw the Lawsuit, or you will leave that entity with little choice but to pursue sanctions against your client and your firm pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 11. In this lattermost regard, please let us know by the close of business on Friday, April 20, 2007, whether you will agree to withdraw the Lawsuit. If you decline our invitation, you will cause XE-R to incur unnecessary defense costs that will waste XE-R's assets, which, of course, would waste the assets of your other client, XE Capital Management, LLC.

Very truly yours,

Jagle A. Gordon

cc: Lisa Brogan, Esq., XE-R, LLC
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April 20, 2007

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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Re: Arche Master Fund, L.P. v. XE-R, LLC, No. 07-CV-2993 (S.D.N.Y.)

Dear Jack:

I write in response to your letter of April 17, 2007 to Peter Calamari and, in particular, to respond to your request that the plaintiff in the above-referenced action withdraw it. Please be advised that your request is declined.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Kevin S. Reed

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September 12, 2006

VIA REGISTERED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Jack A. Gordon Kent, Beatty & Gordon, LLP 425 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022-3598

Re: Demand for Arbitration

Peter Calamaii / fe

Dear Jack:

Enclosed please find a Demand for Arbitration by XE Capital Management, LLC, a copy of which we submitted today to the American Arbitration Association.

Sincerely,

Peter Calamari

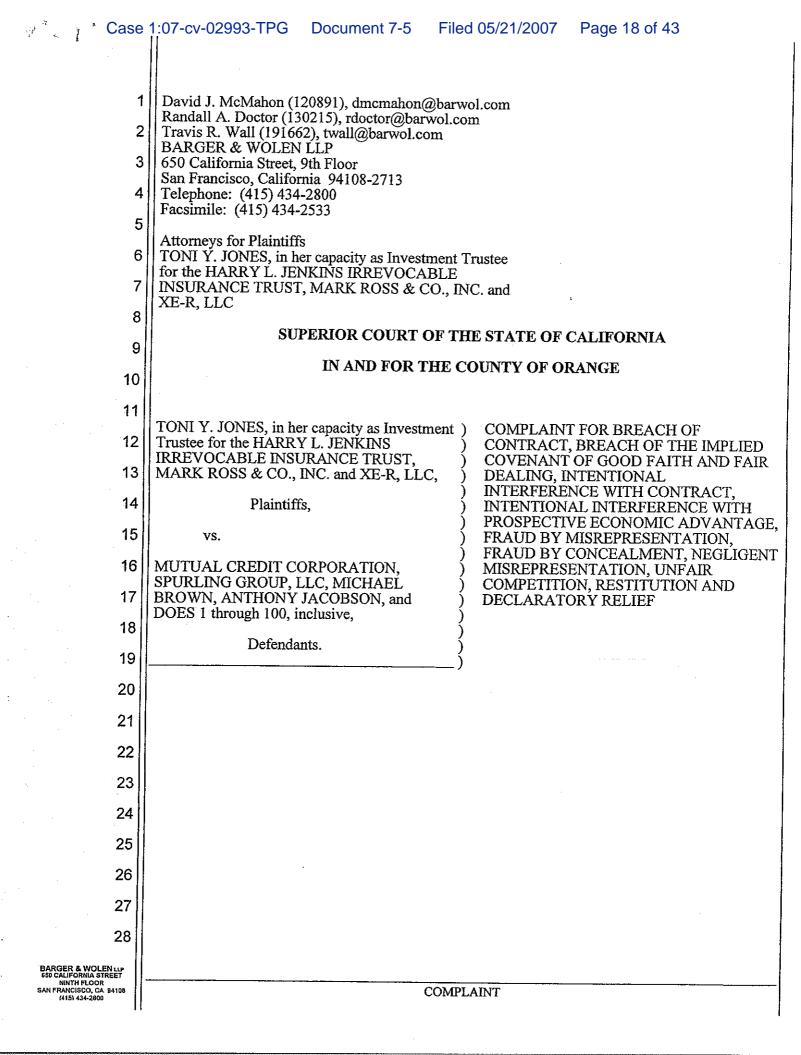
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Plaintiff Toni Y. Jones, in her capacity as the Investment Trustee for the Harry L. Jenkins Irrevocable Insurance Trust, and plaintiffs Mark Ross & Co., Inc. and XE-R, LLC complain of the above-named defendants as follows:

NATURE OF ACTION

- 1. This is an action for breach of contract, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, interference with prospective economic advantage, fraud by misrepresentation, fraud by concealment, negligent misrepresentation, unfair business practices and declaratory relief arising out of a predatory loan scheme designed and operated by defendants Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling Group, LLC ("Spurling") (Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling shall be referred to collectively as "MCC"). MCC created a deceptive premium financing "program" through which seniors purchased life insurance policies. MCC failed to make critical disclosures and misrepresented the economic benefits of the transactions in an attempt to overstate the value of the policies by failing to disclose material valuation criteria. MCC's entire program was designed and intended to be operated from inception, and is being operated in an increasingly egregious fashion, in a premeditated attempt to defraud seniors of their insurance policies.
- 2. Nonrecourse premium financing, when structured and used properly, is a legitimate financial and estate planning tool for seniors and their families. MCC, however, operates its program not to provide legitimate financial planning tools for seniors, but to defraud seniors out of their life insurance policies. The MCC loan documents are contracts of adhesion. The amount of interest charged for MCC's financing depends, in large part, on the amount of contingent interest owing under the loans. The contingent interest amount is calculated based on the "fair market value" of the life insurance policies, as that term is defined in the MCC loan documents. MCC's contracts provide a specific procedure for determining the policies' "fair market value." Depending upon this valuation, the contingent interest could be as low as zero or as high as ten percent of the face value of the applicable policies. At its higher points, the contingent interest component could be greater than the principal loan amount, resulting in "interest" of over 100 percent. MCC never intended to accept valuations that would result in no contingent interest or a small contingent interest. Rather, MCC unfairly manipulates the valuation process so that the contingent interest

component is always as high as possible, effectively precluding seniors from repaying the loan before the maturity date and maintaining ownership of the policies.

PARTIES

- 3. The Harry L. Jenkins Irrevocable Insurance Trust u/a/d December 23, 2004 is and was an irrevocable trust created by Harry L. Jenkins on or about December 23, 2004 ("plaintiff" or the "Trust"). The situs of the Trust is California. Plaintiff Toni Y. Jones is the investment trustee for the Trust.
- 4. Plaintiff Mark Ross & Co., Inc. is a Florida corporation with its principal place of business in New York.
- 5. Plaintiff XE-R, LLC ("XE-R") is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business in New York.
- 6. Defendant Mutual Credit Corporation is a premium finance agency that is incorporated in California. Its principal place of business is in Irvine, California. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that Mutual Credit Corporation was established by the principals of Sierra Life Solutions, LLC, a California insurance broker ("Sierra") and that KBC Financial Products UK Ltd. ("KBC") currently owns Mutual Credit Corporation or certain of its servicing assets.
- 7. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendant Spurling Group, LLC is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business in Irvine, California. Spurling Group, LLC, however, is not listed on the California Secretary of State's website as a company registered to do business in California. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that Spurling was established by the principals of Sierra and that Spurling's original interest holders included XE Capital Management, LLC ("XE Capital") and Arche Master Fund, LLC, which at all relevant times was dominated and controlled by XE Capital. XE-R and XE Capital are separate and distinct entities which do not share common ownership or control. Although XE-R has been involved in a separate joint venture with XE Capital, all of the improper actions of MCC and Spurling were undertaken without XE-R's knowledge or consent. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that XE Capital and Arche Master Fund, LLC helped implement the MCC financing program and had the authority to approve each transaction that Spurling funded, including the Jenkins Trust

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transaction. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that KBC currently owns Spurling or certain of its assets and/or interests.

- 8. Defendant Michael Brown is an individual. He is a licensed insurance agent whose principal place of business is in Orange County, California. At all relevant times, defendant Brown was an officer or employee of Mutual Credit Corporation and/or Spurling and acted as a life agent with respect to the insurance policy that the Trust purchased in this case. Brown is also a principal of Sierra whose investment equity in Spurling was used to fund the MCC premium loan program. Pursuant to California Insurance Code section 785, all insurers, brokers, agents, and others engaged in the transaction of insurance owe a prospective insured who is 65 years of age or older, a duty of honesty, good faith, and fair dealing. This duty is in addition to any other duty, whether express or implied, that may exist.
- 9. Defendant Anthony Jacobson is an individual. He is a licensed insurance agent whose principal place of business is in Orange County, California. At all relevant times, defendant Jacobson was an officer or employee of Mutual Credit Corporation and/or Spurling. Pursuant to California Insurance Code section 785, all insurers, brokers, agents, and others engaged in the transaction of insurance owe a prospective insured who is 65 years of age or older, a duty of honesty, good faith, and fair dealing. This duty is in addition to any other duty, whether express or implied, that may exist. On information and belief, plaintiffs allege that defendant Jacobson had a commission sharing agreement with defendant Brown, which included the sharing of a commission on the life insurance policy that the Trust purchased.
- 10. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of defendants Does 1 to 100, inclusive, are unknown to plaintiffs at this time, and therefore plaintiffs sue said defendants under section 474 of the California Code of Civil Procedure by such fictitious names, and when the true names of said defendants are ascertained, plaintiffs will move this court for leave to amend this complaint accordingly. These Doe defendants could include major distributors and financial institutions in the insurance and life settlement industries. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that each of the defendants designated herein as Doe is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings referred to herein, and proximately

caused injuries and damages to the plaintiffs as alleged herein.

- 11. Plaintiffs, on information and belief, allege that all times mentioned herein, each defendant was acting as an agent, servant, or employee of each other defendant, and was acting within the course and scope of said agency and/or employment.
- 12. Each defendant, with full knowledge, expressly and impliedly ratified the acts of each other defendant in all respects and adopted as his or its own acts the acts of the other defendants and each of them as set forth in detail hereinafter.

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13. The Trust obtained nonrecourse financing from MCC relating to the purchase of a life insurance policy. The loan documents provide that any legal proceeding related to this financing arrangement shall be brought and litigated in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, to the extent it has subject matter jurisdiction, and otherwise in the superior courts in Orange County, California. Defendants Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling also have headquarters in Orange County, and defendants Jacobson and Brown work in Orange County.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

14. The following allegations are made upon information and belief. Due to the deceptive nature of the program, plaintiffs reserve the right to modify or supplement these allegations.

MCC's PREDATORY PREMIUM FINANCING SCHEME

- 15. MCC provides nonrecourse loans to fund the purchase of life insurance policies. The security for the loans is the policies themselves. MCC specifically structures and operates its premium financing program to create economic disincentives for borrowers to repay the loans. MCC's intent from the program's inception was to cause the accrual of exorbitant interest, leaving the borrower with no option but to relinquish the policy to MCC to discharge the enormous debt. MCC expects to reap enormous profits through the scheme.
- 16. MCC's financing program is directed towards seniors and their families. MCC initially lends money for the purchase of a life insurance policy to an irrevocable life insurance trust

created by the senior insured or the senior insured's relatives. The loan amount is comprised of funds equal to the policy premiums for the first two years, an origination fee of five percent of the total loan, and a "premium reserve account" equal to one to three percent of the face amount of the applicable life insurance policy. The so-called "premium reserve account" can be managed by the trust or distributed to trust beneficiaries. The loan is secured by the policy itself, and a collateral assignment in favor of Mutual Credit Corporation is executed and filed with the insurance company as evidence of that security interest.

- origination fee, which is added to the principal, a ten percent fixed interest per annum on the principal loan amount and contingent interest as high as ten percent of the face value of the life insurance policy. The contingent interest amount is calculated based on the life insurance policy's "fair market value" as that term is defined in the promissory note. Thus, if the principal loan amount was \$800,000 and the policy purchased had a face value of \$10,000,000, the contingent interest alone could be as high as \$1,000,000 (i.e., ten percent of the face value), or more than the total principal loan. The nonrecourse promissory notes are due and payable in two years. In other words, MCC devised a financing program in which the potential "interest" charged on a two-year loan could be greater than 100 percent of the principal loan amount.
- 18. After the two-year maturity date, the trust's indebtedness, including any fixed interest and contingent interest, then bears an additional default interest of 15 percent per annum. The borrower-trust has the option of repaying the promissory note with fixed interest and contingent interest prior to the note's maturity date, at which time the collateral assignment of the life insurance policy should be released and the note should be returned to the trust marked as paid. If the insurance trust is unable or unwilling to repay MCC's loan with interest, the trust can elect to relinquish the policy to MCC in complete satisfaction of the debt. A high contingent interest makes it prohibitively expensive to repay MCC's loan and maintain ownership of the policy.
- 19. The MCC loan documents provide that the contingent interest could be zero if the "fair market" value of the life insurance policy is equal to or less than the principal loan amount plus the fixed ten percent interest. The promissory note sets forth a specific procedure for

determining the "fair market value" of the policies. The valuation procedure involves the use of "life settlement" providers. "Life settlements" are a financial option for life insurance policyowners who are unable to maintain or no longer want to own a life policy. Rather than surrender the policy to the life insurance carrier for the policy's cash surrender value (if any), policyowners are sometimes eligible to sell their policy to third-party life settlement providers which might offer to purchase policies for amounts that materially exceed the cash surrender value. In the life settlement industry, a "life settlement provider" is an entity that purchases policies from policyowners.

- 20. MCC's contracts instruct a trust to obtain at least two purchase bids from licensed life settlement providers. In the event the trust and MCC do not agree that the higher of the purchase bids provides a true indication of value, the loan documents require the trust to obtain an "independent third-party valuation" from a specified independent company that is in the business of life settlements and related businesses (referred to herein as the "Independent Valuator") to establish the value for the policy. The Independent Valuator also is a licensed life settlement provider. The Independent Valuator's valuation sets the "fair market value" of the policies for determining the contingent interest amount.
- 21. MCC, however, will only accept valuations that would result in the greatest contingent interest amount. Even when a trust follows the procedure MCC dictates in its own contracts of adhesion, MCC has refused to accept valuations from the Independent Valuator that would result in a contingent interest less than the full ten percent of face value. Instead, MCC attempts to manipulate the valuation process. MCC's intent is to ensure that contingent interest component is so substantial that a borrower-trust does not have the ability or the economic incentive to repay the loan and instead relinquishes the policy to MCC to satisfy the debt. Once MCC obtains complete ownership of the policy, it can continue to pay premiums on the policy and collect the death benefits when the insured dies, or it can sell the policy on the secondary market through a life settlement.
- 22. MCC's entire program was designed and intended to be operated from its inception, and is being operated in an increasingly egregious fashion, in a premeditated attempt to defraud

elder policyholders of their insurance policies. After wresting ownership of these assets from the trusts, MCC expects to sell the policies on the secondary market at considerable profits. Plaintiff is informed and believes that MCC has financed the purchase of approximately \$3.5 billion in insurance coverage through its premium financing and that the program could result in hundreds of millions of dollars in monetary losses to seniors.

MCC OFFERS PREMIUM FINANCING TO MR. JENKINS

- 23. MCC presented its premium financing program to Harry Jenkins in late 2004. Mr. Jenkins was 78 at the time. On December 23, 2004, he created an irrevocable insurance trust entitled the "Harry L. Jenkins Irrevocable Insurance Trust" for the benefit of his spouse and children. His daughter, Toni Y. Jones, was nominated as the investment trustee for the Trust. As investment trustee, Ms. Jones has authority to make all investment and discretionary decisions with respect to the Trust.
- 24. The trust instrument also provides for an administrative trustee. The administrative trustee maintains the books and records of the trust, prepares and files tax returns, and performs other administrative tasks. The administrative trustee is the Trust's fiduciary. As a fiduciary, the trustee is obligated to act in the utmost good faith vis-à-vis the Trust. On December 23, 2004, Ms. Jones signed an engagement letter appointing David F. Doten, a California professional fiduciary, as the original administrative trustee. This appointment lasted for two years. Mr. Doten was introduced to the transaction by MCC, and acted in this capacity for many if not all of the MCC cases.
- 25. As administrative trustee, Mr. Doten submitted an application to MCC for premium financing on January 13, 2005. On February 4, 2005, Mr. Jenkins and his wife signed a Consent and Acknowledgement Agreement in which they unconditionally and irrevocably consented to the application for and purchase by the Trust of an insurance policy on Mr. Jenkins's life through a nonrecourse loan obtained from MCC. The applicable life policy was issued by Pacific Life Insurance Company with a death benefit of \$10,000,000 (the "Policy"). Defendant Brown acted as a life insurance agent for Pacific Life with respect to the purchase of the Policy. On information and belief, he received a commission on this transaction and shared that commission with defendant

Jacobson. At the same time, Brown and Jacobson represented MCC in the financing of the loan to purchase the Policy. Pursuant to California Insurance Code section 785, Brown and Jacobson, as life insurance agents regulated under California law, owed Mr. Jenkins a duty of honesty, good faith, and fair dealing. This duty is in addition to any other duty, whether express or implied, that may exist by law.

- 26. On February 11, 2005, David F. Doten, in his capacity as administrative trustee for the Trust, executed an Agreement Relating to Nonrecourse Financing, a Secured Nonrecourse Promissory Note (the "Note"), and an Assignment of Life Insurance Policy (the "Assignment") in favor of Mutual Credit Corporation. Unbeknownst to the Trust, Mutual Credit Corporation simultaneously assigned all rights in the Policy and loan to Spurling, which had funded the transaction. The assignment from Mutual Credit Corporation to Spurling occurred contemporaneously with the closing of the loan with the Trust. Mutual Credit Corporation nevertheless continued to service the loan.
- 27. On August 31, 2005, Mutual Credit Corporation recorded a document with Pacific Life releasing Mutual Credit Corporation's collateral assignment of the Policy. Spurling recorded a collateral assignment of the Policy with Pacific Life on that same day. On information and belief, David Doten executed the collateral assignment in favor of Spurling. Although the assignment to Spurling occurred at the time the loan was made, the new collateral assignment in favor of Spurling was not filed with Pacific Life until several months later, thereby obscuring Spurling's involvement in the transaction from its inception.
- 28. The initial loan amount was \$737,905. This amount included \$500,000 in premiums for the first two years, a five percent origination fee of \$36,895, and a \$201,010 payment to the Trust to establish the "premium reserve account".
- 29. The Note had a maturity date of February 10, 2007. Pursuant to the loan documents, the Trust had the option of repaying the loan with interest prior to the Note's maturity date. The Note provides for ten percent interest per annum on the principal amount, plus any applicable contingent interest. The Note describes the mechanism for determining the amount of contingent interest owing (if any) as follows:

As used herein, the term "Contingent Interest" means an amount equal to the lesser of (x) \$1,000,000 and (y) the amount, if any, by which the fair market value of the Policy (defined below) as of the Maturity Date exceeds the outstanding principal and accrued interest (other than the Contingent Interest) under this Note. For the purposes of calculating the Contingent Interest, the Trust shall obtain at least two purchase "bids" from licensed life settlement providers or, in the event the Trust and Lender do not agree that the higher of such "bids" provides a true indication of value, the Trust shall obtain an independent third-party valuation from [the Independent Valuator] to establish the value for this purpose. If [the Independent Valuator] does not provide this service, the Trust and Lender will find another mutually agreeable independent third-party appraiser.

- 30. The investment trustee determined that she wanted to maintain ownership of the Policy and continue the life insurance for the benefit of the Jenkins family by refinancing the MCC loan through XE-R. In order to value the contingent interest for the purposes of making repayment, the Trust followed the procedures set forth in the Note. The Trust obtained bids on the Policy from two licensed settlement providers: Financial Life Services offered \$700,000, and Secondary Life Capital offered \$609,000. The Trust also obtained an independent third-party valuation of the Policy from the Independent Valuator indicating a value of \$850,000 for the Policy. Pursuant to the procedures provided in the Note, the Policy thus has a "fair market value" of less than the principal loan amount plus ten percent fixed interest per annum. Because the "fair market value" is less than the principal plus fixed interest, the contingent interest owing under the Note is zero.
- 31. On February 8, 2007, two days prior to the Note's maturity date, the Trust exercised its right to repay the full amount due under the Note. The Trust tendered to MCC a check for \$891,032, which represented the principal plus interest at ten percent per annum and a contingent interest of zero. XE-R provided the funds for the payment. In consideration of its provision of valuation and other services, the Trust agreed to appoint Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker of record in the event that the Trust later decided to sell the Policy on the secondary market through a life settlement.

32. Pursuant to the MCC loan documents, MCC was obligated to release the collateral assignment of the Policy, to return the Note marked as paid in full, and return any other documents as required by the Note and other loan documents. MCC refused to release the collateral assignment and return the Note, and instead returned the check.

33. After learning that the Trust intended to refinance its loan through XE-R, on February 8, 2007, MCC wrote a letter to the Independent Valuator regarding the valuation of insurance policies in the MCC program. MCC did not notify the Trust that it was sending this letter to the Independent Valuator. A copy of this letter is attached to this complaint as Exhibit A and is incorporated by reference. MCC's letter makes false representations regarding the procedures for determining the Policy's "fair market value" within the meaning of the applicable promissory notes:

We have requested in the past that you provide ... valuation services. The services would include determining the "fair market value" for the policies, meaning "the highest price on the date of valuation that would be agreed to by a seller, being willing to sell but under no particular or urgent necessity for so doing, nor obligated to sell, and a buyer, being ready, willing, and able to buy but under no particular necessity for so doing, each dealing with the other with full knowledge of all the uses and purposes for which the property is reasonably adaptable and available." [citation omitted] Please note, that [the Independent Valuator] would not be requested to make a "bid" of what it would be willing to pay, but would be requested to state what the highest price in the marketplace would be.

34. The Loan Documents do not contain any terms suggesting that the valuation should be determined through the "highest price" procedure that MCC described. MCC derived this language after the fact from California's eminent domain statute, which is not germane to the interpretation of a promissory note related to an insurance contract. The only valuation procedure in the loan documents is that outlined above in paragraph 29. Nonetheless, MCC threatened to sue the Independent Valuator if it would not agree to follow MCC's false guidelines. MCC's previous communications with the Independent Valuator about the valuation process, its February 8, 2007 letter, and its threat to sue the Independent Valuator were designed unfairly to rig the valuation in

- 35. MCC wrote a letter to the Trust on February 22, 2007. A copy of the letter is attached to this complaint as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference. MCC indicated that it refused to accept the Trust's February 8, 2007 payment, in part, on the ground that the principal amount increased by \$65,500 due to the "payment of additional premiums as allowed in the Collateral Pledge Agreement." MCC first sent notice of this alleged premium payment on February 8, 2007, two days before the maturity date. This notice was not received by the investment trustee until after the Trust had already tendered the total amount due under the Note.
- 36. MCC asserted that the \$65,500 premium payment was due and owing in order to prevent the policy from going into a grace period prior to the loan maturity date. This contention was false; the premium payment was not due and owing and there was no need to make the payment to prevent the Policy from entering a grace period prior to the loan maturity date. On information and belief, MCC knew that the premium payment was not due and owing before the maturity date and made the additional premium payment in order to increase the amount due and manufacture an alleged default on behalf of the Trust. Further, even if the payment had been due, MCC never gave the Trust the opportunity to utilize the "premium reserve account" which had been established precisely for this purpose.
- 37. MCC also indicated in its February 22 letter that it would not accept the Independent Valuator's independent valuation that the Policy had a value of approximately \$850,000. Despite the fact that the Independent Valuator's valuation resulted in a contingent interest of zero, MCC asserted that the total amount due under the Note was \$1,956,514, which included \$737,905 for the original principal loan amount, \$65,500 for the additional alleged premium payment, \$153,109 in accrued fixed interest, and contingent interest of \$1,000,000. In

other words, the sum MCC demanded included a combined fixed and contingent interest of over 150 percent of the original loan amount on a two-year loan. The February 22 letter also improperly threatened to disqualify the Independent Valuator.

- 38. The Trust responded by letter dated February 28, 2007. Without acknowledging that the additional \$65,500 premium payment was properly added to the amount due, the Trust agreed to include that additional amount in the funds paid in satisfaction of the loan. The Trust indicated that it had no obligation to include any contingent interest. The Trust obtained a separate loan from XE-R to repay the MCC loan. By wire transfer that same day, XE-R, on behalf of the Trust, re-tendered a payment to MCC in the amount of \$956,532, which comprised the \$891,032 the Trust previously tendered plus the additional \$65,500 amount. This payment was made in full satisfaction of the Trust's obligations under the Note. MCC accepted this wire transfer and has not returned the funds to the Trust. MCC nevertheless has not released the collateral assignment of the Policy nor returned the Note marked as paid in full, as required by the loan documents.
- 39. MCC had no intention of accepting a contingent interest of zero, even if no contingent interest was owed under the Note. MCC designed a predatory premium financing scheme that includes exorbitant rates of interest. These high interest rates are specifically designed to prevent borrower-trusts from attempting to repay the loans before the maturity date and maintain ownership of the policies. When the Jenkins Trust tendered the full payment of loan pursuant to the valuation procedures in MCC's own contracts, MCC wrongfully refused to accept the payment and attempted to interfere with and rig the valuation process so that it could claim an artificially high contingent interest. MCC's intention was to make it impossible for the Trust to maintain ownership of the Policy. The Trust has fully performed its obligations under the loan documents and is entitled to a release of the collateral assignment of the Policy and a return of the Note marked paid in full.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Contract - By the Trust against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling Only)

40. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 39, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth

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- 41. The Trust and Mutual Credit Corporation entered into a written Agreement Relating to Nonrecourse Financing, Secured Nonrecourse Promissory Note, and Assignment of Life Insurance Policy. These written agreements shall be referred to collectively as the "contract." As Mutual Credit Corporation's assignee, Spurling is bound by the contract as well.
- 42. The Trust has at all times performed the terms of the contract in the manner specified by the loan documents.
- 43. MCC failed and refused, and continues to refuse, to tender its performance as required by the contract. This includes MCC's refusal to release the collateral assignment of the Policy and to return the Note marked as paid upon the Trust's tender of funds on February 8, 2007, and on March 1, 2007.
- 44. MCC's failure and refusal to perform its obligations under the contract has directly damaged the Trust by preventing it from taking ownership of the Policy free of MCC's collateral assignment. This prevents the Trust from maintaining the insurance policy for the benefit of the Jenkins family, free from MCC's security interest or selling the Policy on the secondary market, if it so chooses. As a direct and proximate result of MCC's breaches of the contract, the Trust has sustained damages in an amount to be proven at the trial, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of the Implied Covenant - By the Trust against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling Only)

- 45. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 44, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 46. In every contract there is an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing by each party not to do anything that will deprive the other parties of the benefits of the contract.

- 47. MCC breached duties to act in good faith by, among other things, making an additional premium payment that was not due and owing in order to unfairly increase the amount due and thereby manufacture an alleged default on behalf of the Trust. MCC also breached the implied covenant by interfering with the valuation process of the Policy and refusing to accept the Independent Valuator's independent valuation.
- 48. As a direct and proximate result of MCC's breaches of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing and statutory obligations to act in good faith, the Trust has sustained damages in an amount to be proven at the trial, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Intentional Interference with Contract – By the Trust against All Defendants)

- 49. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 48, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 50. Defendants, and each of them, knew that there was an existing contract and business relationship between XE-R, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. and the Trust, through which XE-R would help the Trust repay the MCC loan and obtain a release of MCC's collateral assignment. The Trust, through XE-R's financing, would be able to maintain ownership of the Policy. In the event that the Trust later decided to sell the policy, the Trust could negotiate a life settlement on the secondary market using Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker.
- 51. Defendants intentionally interfered with these contract and business relationships by committing the wrongful acts alleged herein. Defendants intended to prevent the Trust from obtaining ownership of the Policy free of any liens or other security by MCC or from selling the Policy to a third party through a life settlement. As a direct result of defendants actions and omissions, the Trust has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.

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52. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of the Trust, and, therefore, the Trust is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Intentional Interference with Prospective Economic Advantage – By the Trust against All Defendants)

- 53. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 52, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 54. Defendants, and each of them, knew that the Trust intended to repay the MCC loan and obtain a release of MCC's collateral assignment through financing from XE-R. The Trust then would be able to maintain ownership of the Policy for the benefit of the Jenkins family. In the event that the Trust later decided to sell the Policy, the Trust could negotiate a life settlement on the secondary market using Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker.
- 55. Defendants willfully and deliberately interfered with the Trust's prospective economic advantage by committing the wrongful acts alleged herein. Defendants intended to prevent the Trust from obtaining ownership of the Policy free of any liens or other security by MCC or from selling the Policy through a life settlement. As a direct result of defendants actions and omissions, the Trust has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.
- 56. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of the Trust, and, therefore, the Trust is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter

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FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Fraudulent Misrepresentation – By the Trust against All Defendants)

- 57. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 56, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
 - 58. Defendants made the following representations and promises to the Trust:
 - (a) That the Trust could repay the nonrecourse loan with interest before the Note's maturity date and that, upon this payment, MCC would release all collateral assignment in the Policy and return the Note marked as paid.
 - (b) That MCC would accept a contingent interest of zero if the "fair market value" of the Policy as defined in the Note was equal to or less than the principal loan amount plus fixed interest.
- 59. These representations were false when made. Defendants knew that the MCC premium financing program was structured and intended to be operated from the beginning, and is being operated, so that the Trust would have no economic incentive or ability to repay the loan and exorbitant interest and thereby maintain ownership of the policies.
- 60. Defendants also knew that MCC, or its assignees, had no intention of ever accepting a contingent interest of zero and complying with its obligation to release the collateral assignment, even if a borrower-trust followed the valuation procedures in the loan documents and the Policy's "fair market value" resulted in a contingent interest of zero.
- 61. Defendants intended the Trust to rely upon the representations, and the Trust did in fact rely on these representations.
 - 62. The Trust's reliance was justifiable.
- 63. Mutual Credit Corporation is a licensed premium finance company. In addition to breaching general duties to avoid making fraudulent misrepresentations, defendants actions and omissions violated statutory duties under California Financial Code section 18500. That section provides that "[n]o person shall advertise, print, display, publish, distribute, or broadcast, or cause

or permit to be advertised, printed, displayed, published, distributed, or broadcast, in any manner in connection with the business of an [premium finance company] any statement or representation with regard to the rates, terms, or conditions for making or negotiating loans, or with regard to investment certificates, which is false, misleading, or deceptive." Defendants' deceptive and misleading acts or omissions in connection with Mutual Credit Corporation violated section 18500.

- 64. As a direct result of defendants' actions and omissions, the Trust has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court. The Trust's reliance on defendants' misrepresentations was a substantial factor in causing its damage.
- 65. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of the Trust, and, therefore, plaintiff is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Fraudulent Concealment - By the Trust against All Defendants)

- 66. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 65, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 67. Defendants disclosed some facts to the Trust, but intentionally failed to disclose other important facts, making the disclosures deceptive. In the alternative, defendants intentionally failed to disclose a fact or facts that were known to defendants and that the Trust could not have discovered.
 - 68. The Trust did not know of the concealed facts.
 - 69. Defendants intended to deceive the Trust by concealing facts.
 - 70. Plaintiff justifiably relied on defendants deception.
 - 71. As a direct result of defendants' deception, the Trust has been damaged in an

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amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court. The Trust's reliance on defendants' deception was a substantial factor in causing its damage.

72. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of the Trust, and, therefore, the Trust is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Misrepresentation - By the Trust against All Defendants)

- 73. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference, each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 72, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 74. In making representations as herein alleged, defendants had no reasonable basis to believe that they were true.
 - These representations were false.
- 76. Defendants intended the Trust to rely upon the representations, and plaintiff did in fact rely on these representations.
 - 77. The Trust's reliance was justifiable.
- 78. As a direct result of defendants' actions and omissions, the Trust has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court. The Trust's reliance on defendants' misrepresentations was a substantial factor in causing its damage.

Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Bus. & Prof. § 17200 et seq. – By the Trust against All Defendants)

79. The Trust realleges and incorporates herein by reference, each and every allegation

contained in paragraphs 1 through 78, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.

- 80. Defendants have engaged in an unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200 et. seq.
- 81. The Trust has suffered an injury in fact and has lost money or property as result of defendants' business acts, omissions, misrepresentation and practices alleged herein.
- 82. Accordingly, the Trust is entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief.

 Wherefore, the Trust prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Intentional Interference with Contract - By XE-R against All Defendants)

- 83. XE-R realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 82, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 84. Defendants, and each of them, knew that there was an existing contract and business relationship between XE-R and the Trust, through which and XE-R loaned money to the Trust to repay the MCC loan. Defendants further knew that the Trust would repay the XE-R loan with interest.
- 85. Defendants intentionally interfered with this contract and business relationship by committing the wrongful acts alleged herein. As a direct result of defendants actions and omissions, XE-R has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.
- 86. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of XE-R, and, therefore, XE-R is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, XE-R prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

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(Intentional Interference with Prospective Economic Advantage -

By XE-R against All Defendants)

- 87. XE-R realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 86, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 88. Defendants, and each of them, knew that XE-R had loaned funds to the Trust to repay the MCC loan. Defendants further knew that the Trust would repay the XE-R loan with interest.
- 89. Defendants willfully and deliberately interfered with this prospective economic advantage by committing the wrongful acts alleged herein. As a direct result of defendants' actions and omissions, XE-R has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.
- 90. Defendants actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a conscious disregard of the rights of XE-R, and, therefore, XE-R is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, XE-R prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Bus. & Prof. § 17200 et seq. – By XE-R against All Defendants)

- 91. XE-R realleges and incorporates herein by reference, each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 90, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 92. Defendants have engaged in an unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200 et. seq.
- 93. XE-R has suffered an injury in fact and has lost money or property as result of defendants' business acts, omissions, misrepresentation and practices alleged herein.

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94. Accordingly, XE-R is entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief.

Wherefore, XE-R prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set

TWELFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Restitution – By XE-R against All Defendants)

- 95. XE-R realleges and incorporates herein by reference, each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 94, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 96. XE-R is entitled to recover the \$956,532 it paid to defendants on March 1, 2007, plus interest. Defendants would be unjustly enriched if they retained those funds.

Wherefore, XE-R prays for judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

THIRTEENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Intentional Interference with Prospective Economic Advantage – By Mark Ross & Co., Inc. against All Defendants)

- 97. Mark Ross & Co., Inc. realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 96, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 98. Defendants, and each of them, knew that XE-R had loaned funds to the Trust to repay the MCC loan. Defendants further knew that in exchange for the provision of valuation and other services, the Trust agreed to appoint Mark Ross & Co., Inc. as the broker of record in the event that the Trust later decided to sell the Policy on the secondary market through a life settlement. Mark Ross & Co., Inc. would receive a commission on this transaction.
- 99. Defendants willfully and deliberately interfered with this prospective economic advantage by committing the wrongful acts alleged herein. As a direct result of defendants actions and omissions, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. has been damaged in an amount according to proof, but in no event less than the jurisdictional minimum of this court.
 - 100. Defendants' actions were undertaken with fraud, malice or oppression, or with a

conscious disregard of the rights of Mark Ross & Co., Inc., and, therefore, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. is entitled to an award of exemplary and punitive damages against defendants, and each of them, in an amount according to proof.

Wherefore, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

FOURTEENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Bus. & Prof. § 17200 et seq. – By Mark Ross & Co., Inc. against All Defendants)

- 101. Mark Ross & Co., Inc. realleges and incorporates herein by reference, each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 100, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 102. Defendants have engaged in an unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200 et. seq.
- 103. Mark Ross & Co., Inc. has suffered an injury in fact and has lost money or property as result of defendants business acts, omissions, misrepresentation and practices alleged herein.
- 104. Accordingly, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. is entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief.

Wherefore, Mark Ross & Co., Inc. prays judgment against defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

FIFTEENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Relief - By Plaintiffs against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling)

- 105. Plaintiffs reallege and incorporate herein by reference, each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 104, above, with the same force and effect as though set forth herein in full.
- 106. Plaintiffs seek a judicial determination pursuant to section 1060 of the California Code of Civil Procedure of the rights and duties of the respective parties with respect to an actual controversy arising under the various contracts at issue.
 - 107. An actual controversy exists between plaintiffs and MCC as the Trust has performed

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all obligations and duties under the relevant contract yet defendants have failed and refused and continue to fail and refuse to release the collateral assignment of the Policy and to return the Note marked as paid in full. On information and belief, MCC disputes that they are required to release all security interests and return the Note.

108. Plaintiffs contend and desire a judicial determination that MCC has no right, title or interest in the Policy and that they must release all collateral assignments of the Policy and return the Note to the Trust marked as paid in full.

Wherefore, plaintiffs, and each of them, pray judgment against Mutual Credit Corporation and Spurling, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs pray for judgment as follows:

For the First and Second Causes of Action against MCC:

- 1. For general damages according to proof;
- 2. For special damages according to proof; and
- 3. For prejudgment interest.

For the Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Causes of Action against all defendants:

- 1. For general damages according to proof;
- 2. For special damages according to proof;
- 3. For prejudgment interest; and
- 4. For punitive and exemplary damages in an unspecified sum.

For the Seventh Cause of Action against all defendants, jointly and severally:

- 1. For general damages according to proof;
- 2. For special damages according to proof; and
- 3. For prejudgment interest.

For the Eighth Cause of Action against all defendants:

 For a court order enjoining defendants from engaging in any unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200 et seq.

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1	For the Ninth and Tenth Causes of Action against all defendants:		
2	For general damages according to proof;		
3	2. For special damages according to proof;		
4	3. For prejudgment interest; and		
5	4. For punitive and exemplary damages in an unspecified sum.		
6	For the Eleventh Cause of Action against all defendants:		
7	1. For a court order enjoining defendants from engaging in any unlawful, unfair or		
8	fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading		
9	advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200		
10	et seq.		
11	For the Twelfth Cause of Action against all defendants:		
12	1. For restitution of the \$956,532 paid by XE-R;		
13	2. For prejudgment interest.		
14	For the Thirteenth Causes of Action against all defendants:		
15	1. For general damages according to proof;		
16	2. For special damages according to proof;		
17	3. For prejudgment interest;		
18	4. For punitive and exemplary damages in an unspecified sum.		
19	Fourteenth Cause of Action against all defendants:		
20	1. For a court order enjoining defendants from engaging in any unlawful, unfair or		
21	fraudulent business acts or practices and unfair, deceptive untrue or misleading		
22	advertising within the meaning of Business and Professions Code section 17200		
23	et seq.		
24	Fifteenth Cause of Action for declaratory relief against MCC:		
25	1. That the court adjudicate and declare that the Trust has at all times performed the		
26	terms of the loan contract in the manner specified by the loan documents;		
27	2. That the court adjudicate and declare that MCC have breached their obligations		
28	under the loan contract;		

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1	3.	That the court adjudicate and declare that MCC, and each of them, have no rights
2		whatsoever with respect to the Policy and that they must release the collateral
3		assignment of the Policy and return the Note marked as paid in full.
4	For A	l Causes of Action:
5	1.	For costs herein incurred;
6	2.	For attorney fees incurred in pursue of this matter;
7	3.	And for such other and further relief as the court may deem just and proper.
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11		Ву:
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